Negotiations with I.M.F. for raising Loans

63. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether negotiations with International Monetary Fund for loan have been finalised; and

(b) if so, what are the conditionalities and the procedure of repayment agreed upon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) Negotiations are being held with the I. M. F. to explore the possibilities of financial assisance to reduce the strain on our balance of payments.

Adult Literacy Programme

64 SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA
SHRI KHISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate of Education, Delhi Administration had launched an Adult Literacy Programme to attain complete literacy by 1990;

(b) if so, what has been the performance under this scheme and the extent to which success has been achieved;

(c) what are the reasons for not achieving the target of complete literacy in Delhi by 1990;

(d) what are the details of expenses incurred so far under this scheme; and

(e) what further steps Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (e) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement

REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 64 FOR AUGUST 27 1991 BY SHRI KAPIL VERMA, SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA, SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA AND SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA.

The Adult Education Programme was launched in the U. T. of Delhi as in other States/U.Ts. to eradicate adult illiteracy in 1978-79. Subsequently, as per the Census figures, the literacy rate of Delhi has gone up from 71.93 per cent in 1981 to 76.09 per cent in 1991. During this period the population of the U. T. of Delhi has gone up from 62.2 lakhs to 93.7 lakhs which has a large segment of migrant population. This has been one of the major constraints in achieving total literacy. According to the information furnished by the U. T. of Delhi, the total expenditure during the Seventh Five Year Plan period on the scheme under Plan and Non-Plan heads were Rs. 51.37 lakhs and Rs. 212.78 lakhs respectively. Of late, some initiative has been taken to involve about 50,000 school students of Delhi in Literacy promotion efforts to achieve the goal

Eligibility or appearing at the Compartmental Examination

65. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1373-A given in the Rajya Sabha on 30th July, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the candidate referred to in reply to part (b) of the Question passed in three subjects and in other two subject secured 30 per cent and 17 per cent

marks as per the annual progress report issued to the parents of the candidate by the School under the joint signatures of Principal, Vice Principal and the Class Teacher; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for which the candidate and other similar candidates were not allowed to appear in the compartmental examination and the reasons for not taking action against the Principal of the school for violating the rules?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by the Delhi Administration the actual marks obtained by the student are as below:

English	Geography	Political Science
33	31	30
Economics	History	
17	31	

But in the progress card, the marks after adding the grace marks which are not allowed to the candidates to make them eligible for compartment, are shown as under:—

English	Geography	Political Science
35	35	30
Economics	History	
17	35	

In view of above, the progress card given to the parents is having different marks from those which are recorded in the school records. There is no other similarly placed student where by adding the grace marks, the student would have got the pass marks in the three subjects. The question of initiating any action against the Principal does not arise.

Spread of Diseases in Capital due to Monsoon

66. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the current rainy season the capital has been afflicted by viral, malaria, typhoid and other peculiar types of fevers assuming epidemic form;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what measures have been taken or are proposed to be taken to control the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) There is no increase in the incidence of viral, malaria, typhoid and other types of fevers as compared to last year.

(c) The Delhi Administration are taking all necessary preventive actions in the matter like surveillance and monitoring, adequate supply of safe drinking water, regular cleaning of drains and septic tanks, removal of garbage, etc. They have also banned sale of cut fruits and other unhygeinic foods and taking health education measures for motivating people to adopt hygeinic practices.

Import of New Cobalt Radio Therapy Units

67. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that RBI's decision to impose 200 per cent margin clause has resulted in several hospital organisations shelving plans to import new cobalt